AIDS

635. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of HIV (Positive) patients detected so far in Delhi State; and

(b) the names of hospitals in States where AIDS screening facilities are available?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) As on 28th February, 1995, 978 HIV+ (Positive) cases have been reported in the National Capital Territory of Delhi.

(b) A list is annexed. (*See* Appendix 173, Annexure No. 20]

Maternity and Health Care Centres in U.P.

636. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Maternity and Health Care Centres functioning in Uttar Pradesh at present;

(b) the number of such Centres proposed to be opened during the year 1994-95 and 1995-96;

(c) whether any foreign assistance is being provided for these Centres; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) Maternity and health care are provided throuh 3750 primary health centres, 240 community health centres, 20153 subcentres, 907 rural family welfare centres 81 urban family welfare centres and 150 urban health posts as well as hospitals.

(b) 20 primary health centres and 17 community health centres and nil subcentres are proposed to be opened in 1994-95 and 1995-96.

(c) and (d) No, Sir.

Incidence of glaucoma in Andhra Pradesh

637. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government have taken to counter the wide-spread incidence of glaucoma in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether any survey has been done of this affliction in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) the funds allocated for the year 1995-96 to combat the disease in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) The steps taken to control blindness due to various reasons including glaucoma include:

(i) Upgradation of ophthalmic services,

(ii) Expanding the coverage to rural and tribal areas,

(iii) Training of Ophthalmic manpower,

(iv) Establishment of Distt. Blindness Control Societies, and

(v) Creating awareness about the eye care in the masses.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) A provision of Rs. 592.42 lakhs has been made for the year 1995-96 tentatively for various eye care activities in the States.

Spread of Malaria in Andhra Pradesh

638. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any progress so far in controlling the spread of malaria in Andhra Pradesh in 1994-95;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any monitoring has been done to control the incidence of malaria in the State during 1994-95; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) and (b) The malaria situation in Andhra Pradesh during 1994-95 was contained through early detection and treatment of cases supported by selective vector control measures.

(c) and (d) The incidence of the disease was regularly monitored on district-wise basis. The incidence of malaria did not show a significant increased. Further, a Central team visited Andhra Pradesh during 1994 for an indepth review of the Malaria situation and measures needed to tackle the same.

Strategy for AIDS Control

639. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that, according to the Bombay-based Indian Health Organisation (IHO), the AIDS epidemic has entered the third phase in the country and by 2000 A.D., the country will have an estimated 30 million HIV infections, with ten thousand deaths every day;

(b) if so, what, according to the official study, if any, is the likely rise in AIDS cases by 2000 A.D., and the state in which AIDS cases are likely to rise the most;

(c) what is the number of known AIDS deaths in the country during the years 1993 and 1994.

(d) what is the existing number of AIDS centres in various part of the country and the event of acilities available in these centres to deal with AIDS cases; and

(c) what changes in the strategy to combat AIDS in the country are contemplated by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) and (b) Any estimate/projection of AIDS cases by 2000 A.D. is at best a guesstimate. No categorical statement can be made in this respect.

(c)

Year	Reporting AIDS Death
1993	210
1994	118

(d) All the States/UTs have been providing treatment for opportunistic ailments related to HIV/AIDS in their hospitals without discrimination.

(e) It is too early to review the current strategy to prevent and control AIDS in the country.

Central assistance for population control in Gujarat

640. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from the Government of Gujarat seeking additional central assistance to control the population problem in the State;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any decision in this regard so far;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) to (d) A communication has been received from the State Government of Gujarat stating that the Government of India have released Rs. 4672.31 lakhs to